

Proposed Bill No. 5739

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LCO No. 1699

Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by: REP. MEGNA, 97th Dist. (By Request)

AN ACT CONCERNING TOBACCO BARS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 That section 19a-342 of the general statutes be amended to provide
- 2 that, to be included in the definition of "tobacco bar" and be exempt
- 3 from the indoor smoking prohibition, a business shall obtain not less
- 4 than fifteen per cent of its annual sales revenue from the sale of
- 5 tobacco products, be registered with the local health department and
- 6 the area in which smoking is permitted shall have a ventilation system
- 7 that is separate from the ventilation system in the public area of the
- 8 facility and the area in which employees work.

Statement of Purpose:

To protect the health of the public and employees of facilities in which smoking is permitted and to limit the ability of a tobacco bar to be a restaurant, bar and entertainment facility in which the public can smoke, which is contrary to the prohibition on smoking in bars and restaurants.